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Reports of the Joint Inspection Unit

Note by the Secretariat

1. In accordance with paragraph 6 of the annex to Economic and Social Council resolution 2008 (LX) of 14 May 1976, the reports of the Joint Inspection Unit concerning the economic, social and human rights programmes of the United Nations system, including the reports dealing with the United Nations Development Programme, the Office of the United Nations High Commissioner for Refugees and the United Nations Institute for Training and Research, shall be examined by the Committee for Programme and Coordination, which shall report thereon to the Council and the General Assembly.

2. In accordance with article 11, paragraph 4 (d) and (e), of the statute of the Joint Inspection Unit (General Assembly resolution 31/192, annex), when a report concerns only one organization, the report and comments thereon of the executive head shall be transmitted to the competent organ of that organization not later than three months after receipt of the report for consideration at the next meeting of the competent organ, and when a report concerns more than one organization, the report, together with the joint comments and any comments of the respective heads on matters that concern their particular organization, shall be ready for submission to the competent organs of the organizations not later than six months after receipt of the Unit's report for consideration at the next meeting of the competent organs concerned.

3. At its organizational session, the Committee is invited to select, from the reports listed below, the report or reports of the Joint Inspection Unit it would wish to consider at its forty-first session under agenda item 6.

The use of consultants in the United Nations (A/55/59) and the comments of the Secretary-General thereon (A/55/59/Add.1)

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Policies and practices in the use of the services of private management consulting firms in the organizations of the United Nations system (A/54/702) and the comments of the Administrative Committee on Coordination thereon (A/55/979)**

United Nations system common services at Geneva, part II: case studies (A/55/856) and the comments of the Secretary-General thereon (A/55/856/Add.1)

Young professionals in selected organizations of the United Nations system: recruitment, management and retention (A/55/798) and the comments of the Secretary-General thereon (A/55/798/Add.1)

** To be issued.